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### REP. MATSUI WELCOMES REP. JOHN LEWIS TO SACRAMENTO AND HONORS DR. BILL LEE WITH COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD AT MLK CELEBRATION

SACRAMENTO, CA—Today, Congressman Robert T. Matsui (D-CA) joined community leaders to honor the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at the fourth annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Dinner in Sacramento. Rep. Matsui welcomed his close friend and colleague, Congressman John Lewis of Georgia, who delivered the keynote address.

"It was a pleasure to invite Congressman Lewis to Sacramento to help us celebrate Martin Luther King Day," said Matsui. "Representative John Lewis is a principled leader on issues relating to civil rights and social justice. But more fundamentally, he serves as our moral compass in the Congress."

Rep. Lewis is a legend in the civil rights movement. As a young man, he was one of the original Freedom Riders, who risked his life to take the message of desegregation to the Deep South. He shared the stage with Dr. King in the historic March on Washington in 1963. During his trip to Sacramento this weekend, he addressed California State University at Sacramento students and faculty members about the civil rights movement and the state of race relations in America today.

Rep. Matsui also honored Dr. Bill Lee with the Robert T. Matsui Community Service Award. Dr. Lee is the founder and publisher of the *Sacramento Observer*, which has been a staple of the Sacramento community for more than forty years.

"Dr. Lee has spent his career enlightening the public through his excellent journalism," said Matsui. "He certainly has earned the respect and admiration of the entire community for his years of service and dedication."

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